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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination, it is respectfully requested that that the application be amended as follows:

In the Specification

Please delete the first paragraph on page 1, lines 5-7, and replace it with the following:

This application is a continuation of PCT Application No. PCT/DE00/00428 filed 15 February 2000 and which named the United States as a designated country. PCT Application PCT/DE00/00428 was published on 24 August 2000 as Publication No. WO 00/48800 and claims priority of German Application 199 06 021.5 filed on 16 February 1999.

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